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In re:	Patent Application of Kiyoshi Hayashi, <i>et al.</i>	: Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned
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For:	NICKEL ELECTRODE ACTIVE	: Attorney Docket
	MATERIAL FOR ALKALINE	: No. 10059-270U1
	STORAGE BATTERIES AND	: (P20277-2)
	NICKEL ELECTRODE USING	:
	THE SAME	:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination and calculation of fees in the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows, without prejudice.

In the Specification:

At page 20, line 2, under the heading “CLAIMS”, please insert -- We claim: --.

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 are pending in this application. The specification has been amended to correct a formal matter. No new matter is added by the amendment.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider and allow claims 1-4 at the earliest opportunity.

Respectfully submitted,

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